the previous three years have been increasing steadily. In 2004-05 total exports were the tune of 461329 M.T. (11.9% increase over 2003-04); during 2005-06 the exports increased to 512164 M.T. *i.e.* an increase of 11.02% over 2004-05. Similarly during 2006-07 exports were 612641 M.T., an increase of 19.62% over 2005-06. Exports of marine products increased by about 19.62% in quantity, 15.43% in Rupee and 12.69% in US Dollar realization during 2006-07 as compared to 2005-06. However, during 2007-08 (provisional figures are avilable upto January, 2008), exports have decreased in quantitative terms to about 435873 M.T. *i.e.* a decrease of about 18.08% over the last year. The reasons for the decrease in exports have been poor price offers, poor landing and rupee appreciation.

(c) The sea-food export from the Western States during the last 5 years is indicated in the table below:

Q: Quantity in MT, V: Value in Rs. Crore, US$ Million

STATE		2006-07	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04	2002-03
GOA	Q:	16152	10719	10030	10212	15395
	V:	89.45	55.56	46.96	31.40	50.11
	$:	19.70	12.59	10.42	6.89	10.37
GUJARAT	Q:	188166	136485	119951	108386	134047
	V:	1264.60	934.88	704.59	614.42	760.36
	$:	281.30	210.87	157.36	134.19	157.86
MAHARASHTRA	$:	140046	123716	112180	97457	112278
	V:	1347.02	1242.21	1037.73	884.61	984.26
	$:	298.52	281.21	231.41	193.68	204.21

Assistance to textile manufacturers of M.P.

†2041. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Madhya Pradesh Government has submitted a proposal to the Central Government for the assistance of Rs. 41.97 crores to provide design, packing and export facility to the textile manufacturers of Madhya Pradesh at one place;

(b) if so, whether amount has been sanctioned for the above proposal; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and present status of the above proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Rangarajan and Krishnamurthy Committees on problems of exporters

2042. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether to mitigate the problems of Indian exporters, two expert Committees *i.e.* the

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